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Mr. Harold Weisberg
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Dear Mr. Weisberg:

We have received your July 18, 1977 letter again requesting that we furnish you specific documentation relating to Dr. Alvarez's analysis and publication of the Kennedy Assassination. We are sorry that our reply to your original request did not meet your expectations.

Your July 8 letter sets forth, in detail, your disagreement with Dr. Alvarez's activities and conclusions and we believe calls upon ERDA to explain or justify ERDA's activities by developing a record that does not exist. I am sure you are aware that the Freedom of Information Act does not require an agency to develop a statement of position in a particular matter but merely to furnish existing documentation. A copy of part 709.1 is attached.

To this end, our letter of July 14 did forward to you copies of all existing material that could be located which are available for release to you under the FOI Act.

In view of the information furnished by our July 14, 1977 letter to you, we believe that this office has been responsive to your FOI request.

Sincerely,

Milton R. Reese for
Dale J. Cook
Freedom of Information Officer

Attachment:
As stated